MANISTEE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION 70 MAPLE STREET MANISTEE, MI 49660

MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 5, 2000

A meeting of the Manistee City Planning Commission was held on Thursday, October 5, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Davis, Ray Fortier, Kristie Harless, John Lakos, Phil Picardat,

John Serocki, Tony Slawinski, Roger Yoder

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Bob Hornkohl

OTHERS PRESENT:

Public, Jon Rose (Community Development) and Denise Mikula (City

Staff)

Meeting was open at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Roger Yoder.

Welcomed new member Bob Davis.

PUBLIC HEARING:

None

CITIZEN QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION by John Lakos, seconded by Tony Slawinski, that the minutes of the September 7, 2000 Planning Commission Meeting be approved. Motion approved unanimously.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Meeting Dates 2001

Motion passed unanimously.

The Planning Commission needs to advertise and post their meeting dates for 2001. The Planning Commission holds their regular business meetings on the first Thursday of each month in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan at 7:00 p.m. The July meeting would conflict with the Forest Festival and has been scheduled for the second Thursday. Worksessions are included on the list but do not require advertisement just posting.

MOTION by Ray Fortier, seconded by Tony Slawinski that the Planning Commission Meeting dates be advertised and posted as follows:

Meeting Worksession
January 4, 2001 January 18, 2001
February 1, 2001
March 1, 2001
April 5, 2001
May 3, 2001
June 7, 2001
July 12, 2001 No Worksession
August 2, 2001
September 6, 2001
October 4, 2001 October 18, 2001
November 1, 2001
December 6, 2001 No Worksession

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Master Plan - Request for Proposals

The Planning Commission needs to send out Request for Proposals to consulting firms for the Master Plan. A draft copy of a RFP was mailed to the Planning Commission Members for their review.

Jon Rose gave an overview of the process for sending out Requests for Proposals, obtaining names / addresses of firms for direct mailing and advertisement. Funding has been left blank waiting to see if the request for funding from the Local Revenue Sharing Board is approved. The Planning Commission or a subcommittee will be interviewing the candidates and make recommendation to City Council.

Mr. Rose asked if there were any additions or changes to the Request for Proposal. Roger Yoder asked if Compatibility with surrounding communities and Retail could be added to Plan Priorities and Issues. They were added. After further discussion a motion was made.

MOTION by John Lakos, seconded by Kristie Harless that Community Development Officer Jon Rose prepare a Request for Proposals and mail out to consultants for the Master Plan. Motion passed unanimously.

OTHER COMMUNICATIONS:

Simonis Car Wash

Jon Rose informed the Planning Commission that a Request for Appeal to the Zoning Board of Appeals from Simonis Car Wash. The request includes moving the dumpster away from the building to the southeast corner of Lot 3. The ZBA will determine if the dumpster can be moved away from the building.

Marina Basin Study

Jon Rose gave an overview of the proposed Marina Basin Study done by Abonmarche. City Council hired Abonmarche to develop a study for a Marina at First Street Beach between the boat launch and the stub pier. Mr. Rose showed the plan which includes 55 slips, sheet pile around the inside, stone rip-rap round the outside providing safe harbor, Barrier Free Access and fishing dock. The Riverwalk would be extended to Lake Michigan. This plan would stabilize the bank which has been a concern for years. A bathhouse including showers would be constructed for the boaters and may also include an expanded concession stand/restaurant for the Beach. The Marina would fill a need for transient boaters. Harbor Village no longer takes transient boaters and the City Marina downtown has been filled on several occasions this past summer. Discussed the possible change of entrance and exit to the launch ramps. The need to look into a solution for the odor caused by the fish cleaning station. This project would be between 4 and 5 years out.

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WORKSESSION:

Discussion about the October Worksession. Roger Yoder and Kristie Harless are unable to attend on October 19th and Denise is waiting for a response from Manistee Township about a date for a Joint Worksession.

MOTION by Ray Fortier, seconded by John Serocki that the October 19th Worksession be cancelled and rescheduled at a later date in the event that Manistee Township is able to meet with us. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Tony Slawinski, seconded by Kristie Harless that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

MANISTEE PLANNING COMMISSION

Denise J. Mikula Recording Secretary